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EDITORIAL

With this volume, *Scientia Canadensis* enters its fifteenth year of publication. Beginning as a modest mimeographed newsletter, the *HSTC Bulletin*, in the autumn of 1976, its editors had hardly dared to think it would survive so long. Indeed, within the confines of our small field, it has even flourished, slowly broadening its horizons and readership.

Several changes are now in progress and volume 15 will be a transitional one. At its Biennial General Meeting in Ottawa in October 1991, the Canadian Science and Technology Historical Association, sponsor of the journal since 1981, agreed to assume complete management and responsibility for the journal. The Scientia Press Ltd, a private firm, will undertake the production of the two numbers for 1991 but will no longer publish the journal.

Since the retirement of James Hull as editor, a troika of Richard Jarrell, Yves Gingras and Raymond Duchesne have continued to edit *Scientia*. In 1992, Prof George Richardson, of Queen's University, will become the new editor; he is looking forward to the challenge and we wish him the best and ask all of you to support his efforts. Yves Gingras will continue as Associate Editor and Raymond Duchesne will act as Book Review Editor. The Association will nominate a new editorial board. Prof Jarrell will, after fifteen years, finally be able to sit down and write history for someone else to edit! He is also pleased to inform readers that a three-year grant from the Social Science and Humanities Research Council has been obtained, which will place the journal on a sounder financial footing.

The second number in this volume will be a special issue, published with the assistance of the National Research Council of Canada, devoted to papers read at the recent Kingston Conference to commemorate the seventy-fifth anniversary of the NRC. The special issue will lack the usual reviews, news and bibliography, but will contain the annual index.

Our sincerest thanks to all our readers and supporters.